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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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Examiner: Ayal I. Sharon

Application No.: 09/805,598

Art Group: 2123

Filed: March 12, 2001

For: PROCESS AND DEVICE FOR
DISPLACING A MOVEABLE UNIT ON
A BASE

PETITION TO ACCEPT UNINTENTIONALLY DELAYED CLAIM
UNDER 37 C.F.R § 1.78(c)(3)

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Sir:

The Applicant states that the above referenced patent application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/362,643 filed July 27, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,438,461. The Applicant asserts that the entire delay between the date the claim was due under paragraph 37 C.F.R § 1.78(a)(2)(ii) and the date of this petition was unintentional. The surcharge of \$1,370.00 set forth in 37 C.F.R § 1.17(t) is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,
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